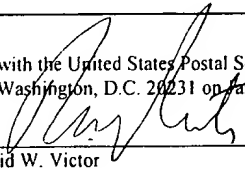


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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This Amendment is submitted in response to the Office Action dated September 12, 2001 in which the Examiner rejected all of the claims as obvious (35 U.S.C. §103) in view of cited art. Applicants traverse the prior art rejections for the reasons discussed herein. Applicants have further amended the Specification and Claims to make certain corrections thereto.

Amendments to the Specification and claims are shown in the attached "Version With Markings to Show Changes Made" submitted pursuant to 37 CFR 1.121.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Replace the paragraph on page 9, lines 3-12 with the following amended paragraph:

FIG. 3 illustrates an example of a marketing brochure produced in accordance with the preferred embodiments. A designer would design the layout of a template including containers, which are regions of the template into which content from files from the content database 8 are inserted. FIG. 4 illustrates a template 100 in which the user defines the layout of how content in the files in the customer 6 and content databases 8 will be inserted into the template 100 to

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